

HON. STEVEN COHEN, (ret.), ARBITRATION CV

HON. STEVEN COHEN, (ret.) is a retired Administrative Law Judge, and an attorney who specializes in mediation and arbitration with over 28 years of ADR experience. He has presided over litigated matters for the Courts, the Federal & State government and the private sector. His practice areas as an Arbitrator include Real Estate disputes including disclosure, standards of care and property line disputes, Construction defect and contract disputes, Labor & Employment matters including Title VII, Discrimination and other Workplace disputes, Commercial Transactional Disputes, and Security and Exchange matters.

JUDGE COHEN is a qualified expert in building construction and real property matters and serves as an Arbitrator on the Construction and Commercial panel for the American Arbitration Association (AAA.) He is a certified Property Mold Specialist, and holds a class "B" and "C10" Contractor's license. He is a member of the International Code Council (ICC), formally (ICBO) International Conference of Building Officials.

He is also a qualified expert in Real Estate standards of care and duty, broker's and agent's disclosure, property management duties and standard of care and property transactional disputes and has served as an expert in this field since 1985. He holds a Real Estate Broker's license and enjoys the "Realtor" designation.

JUDGE COHEN also has extensive business litigation and contractual dispute background. His MBA includes a major in finance and economics and he has over 18 years of experience serving on boards of directors which include financial planning, economic models and profit and non-profit corporations.

In the area of Labor & Employment he is an approved neutral with the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission (EEOC) and the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH). He has presided over workplace disputes since the mid 1990's.

JUDGE COHEN has been an adjunct professor and has taught Arbitration, as well as Mediation and Negotiation on the graduate, undergraduate and Corporate level. He earned his MBA from Pepperdine University School of Business and the Graduate Level Certificate in Dispute Resolution (ABA approved) from Pepperdine University School of Law. He earned his Doctorate of Law-Jurisprudence (JD) degree from British American University School of Law. Mr. Cohen is licensed to practice law in the State of California and the United States District Court, Central District.

He received special recognition in 1995, 1997, 2002 and 2003 "Who's Who in Business Professionals & Executives" and is now a lifetime achievement member. He is currently a member of the Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR), the Southern California Mediation Association (SCMA) and the American Arbitration Association (AAA). He is also a member of the American Bar Association (ABA), the LA County Bar Association's Alternative Dispute Resolution Section and the Santa Monica Bar Association.

DISCLOSURE: In compliance with C.C.P. §1281.9 and Ethical Standards for Neutral Arbitrators in Contractual Arbitration §10 adopted by the Judicial Council of California, written disclosure is made that Steven Cohen is a retired Administrative Law Judge with the California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board (CUIAB) in which he heard matters involving unemployment insurance, disability eligibility and employer tax cases. Under Government Code § 199.90, sub-section 10(C), Cohen "may act as an arbitrator or mediator (or practice law) which will not directly or indirectly be related to the functions and responsibilities of the California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board". Under C.C.P. §1281.91, additional disclosures shall be made in writing upon the initial appointment.

Areas of Practice:

Real Estate Disputes, Disclosure, Standards of Care and Duty
Construction Defects and Contract Disputes
Property Management Standards of Care

Property Line Disputes
Real Property Transactional Disputes
Discrimination and Other Workplace Disputes
Commercial Transactional Disputes
Insurance and Bad Faith Claims
Labor & Employment
Title VII, Discrimination, pregnancy, age, wrongful termination

Bar Admissions:

California
U.S. District Court Central District of California

Education:

Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu, California
Graduate Level Certificate in Dispute Resolution

British American School of Law, Santa Ana, California
J.D., Doctorate of Law-Jurisprudence

Pepperdine University School of Business
M.B.A.

Published Works:

"Tag-Team" Mediation, Los Angeles Lawyer, July-August, 2004

Classes/Seminars Taught:

Adjunct Professor, Arbitration, Mediation and Negotiation, Pepperdine School of Law

Teacher, Alternative Dispute Resolution

Teacher, Tort Law and Criminal Law for the Paralegal Program, ATS Training Services in Irvine

Guest Speaker, Mediation to the Residential Real Estate Professional, Southern California Mediation Association

Honors and Awards:

Who's Who in Business Professionals & Executives, 1995

Who's Who in Business Professionals & Executives, 1997

Who's Who in Business Professionals & Executives, 2002 - 2003
(Lifetime recognition)

Professional Associations and Memberships:

American Arbitration Association (AAA)
Member

Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR)
Member

American Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section (ABA)
Member

Southern California Mediation Association (SCMA)
Member

Los Angeles County Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section
Member

LA County Bar Association, Alternative Dispute Resolution Section
Member

Santa Monica Bar, Dispute Resolution Section
Member

Los Angeles Superior Court (LASC)

Contractor's State License Board (CSLB)

California State Department of Insurance

Department of Fair Housing and Employment (DFEH)

Center for Employment Dispute Resolution (CEDR)

Los Angeles and Albuquerque District Offices of the EEOC